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Executive Director's Report

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State Committee Participation

ITEC: (Executive council comprised of private and public representatives charged with the adoption of IT policies for the state enterprise (All Branches))

- Did not meet in February

ITAB: (State IT representatives who meet monthly to discuss ongoing upcoming and current status of issues facing the state IT enterprise.)

- Met February 16th
- Received update from FMS group on current status of implementation
- Mr. Sullivan briefed the members on DISC services for agencies to host virtual servers.
- Mr. Sullivan also briefed the members on the current status of the DISC Enterprise Internet Development Services
    - o This is a significant concern to INK in that DISC is offering agencies the ability to develop web applications.
    - o Lisa and I continue to meet and communicate with Mr. Sullivan and his team to establish a method by which INK and DISC can work together and not against each other.
    - o This group was established by the former DISC Director to accommodate agency requests for development as a result of the timelines being purported by the INK.
    - o DISC and INK are working together on a so-called "pilot" program with the Board of Healing Arts to begin to determine what roles can be developed to provide DISC with a revenue source, which lowers the costs for all agencies AND provide INK with an offload capability for projects which may not provide best "bang for the buck" cost for the portal. Part of the current year's restricted funds is to examine INK's portfolio to determine which apps may be candidates for returning to the owning agencies for maintenance or review of the current fee structure. DISC may be one of the available sources of resources to assist the agencies and INK.
- Mr. Roth described a bill currently in the Legislature which will require his office to perform a feasibility study to look at Consolidation Opportunities across state government.
    - o Currently the scope and depth of the study has yet to be determined, but I continue to monitor and communicate with Mr. Roth so that as the study gets underway, if passed, INK is a central stakeholder in the process as INK was developed as a consolidation entity from its origin.

- Mr. Robinson the state web accessibility coordinator, described the changes to the current state policies regarding web accessibility and that the changes were to reflect and align the state with the federal accessibility policies. As you may recall, INK recently provided a grant to this group to purchase a program to systematically review all state agency websites for accessibility issues and to pilot the ability to provide closed captioning to all video content provided by the state agencies.

IT Security Council: (State security professionals from large and small agencies to discuss security policy considerations for the state)

- Short meeting held to discuss recent introduction of Legislation to require agencies to perform annual penetration testing on their systems. There was no action taken to testify in favor or in opposition to the bill, although the Council supports the initiative.

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Kansas PKI (Information Technology Identity Management Group (ITIMG) (State agency representatives from KDOR, KSOS, GIS, KITO and INK who oversee the PKI for Kansas)

- Met with Kansas Health Policy representatives to discuss current initiative, i.e., federal grant monies are available to create, a Health Information Network. This Network is envisioned to consist of state databases in connection with each other and a federal database access to provide citizens, physicians, hospitals and other care providers the ability to access patient health information.
    o The purpose of the visit to the ITIMG was to discuss authentication alternatives for access to the information. There will be several different types of access, each with its associated authorization roles.
    o This is a very new initiative and the Group was appreciative of KHPA reaching out to determine our current provisions and will stay in communication with developments. A member of the ITIMG also serves as a member of the KHPA steering group.
    o The potential for several hundred or even thousands of new PKI certificate holders exist with this application as PKI is the "gold standard" for user identity authentication and Kansas has established its PKI program as enterprise from the onset.
- Reviewed latest copy of Registration Authority Practices Statement. This document details the roles and responsibilities of the Registration Authority and Local Registration Authorities.
- Kathy Sachs provided the Group several documents, questions and considerations for the Group regarding the auditing procedures for process adherence.
- I provided the Group with a much more detailed financial review document so as to provide greater clarity into the current expenses and revenues associated with the program. The new documentation includes budget considerations and monthly tracking much like what INK uses for its monitoring of expenses. The Verisign contract for provisioning PKI certificates in Kansas is due to expire at the end of 2010. It is appropriate the Group have a greater level of detail provided to ensure the operation can support the ongoing costs in order to become self sufficient within its operation.

INK Initiatives:

iMerge Contract
- Met with Mr. Minihan to detail requirements
- Non-Disclosure Agreements signed and received from Mr. Minihan
- Materials provided by KIC/NIC sent electronically
- Project ongoing and being monitored closely.

KBI Contract Negotiations:
- Letter to KBI drafted and sent to KBI.

Office of Judicial Administration
- Contract template reviewed sent to OJA for dispersal to all counties. INK has requested that all contracts be signed and received by OJA prior to being sent to INK. Once received, the contracts will be forwarded to INK for signature. Sorry Cindy.

INK Financial Audit:
- Received final copy of the financial audit and agreed upon procedures. No significant issues.
- Received engagement letters for 2009 year end financial audit and 2009 Agreed Upon Procedures Audit. This will be discussed at the meeting in March.

Grants:

New Grants Received:
Kansas Partnership for Accessible Technology
Amount Requested: $160,000
Nature of Request: Accessibility Measurement Tool and Closed Captioning

Kansas State Historical Society
Amount Requested: $13,450
Nature of Request: Website to Commemorate Kansas' 150th Statehood Anniversary

Kansas Adjutant General
Amount Requested: $150,000
Nature of Request: Database of Emergency Responders

Existing Grants:

*changes are in red

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Kansas Department of Commerce (Broadband Mapping)
- Total Expended: $84,961
  - $15,000 from Kansas Farm Bureau
- Remaining on INK Grant Balance: $100,039
- Remaining on KFB Grant Balance: $0
- Status: Project On-going.
- Original Grant End Date: December 2009

Kansas State Historical Society (KEEPS)
- Total Expended: $0
- Remaining Grant Balance: $175,000
- Status: Project On-going.
- Original Grant End Date: December 2009
  - Received extension request letter

Kansas Indicators for the Kansas Economy (IKE)
- Total Expended: $22,500
- Remaining Grant Balance: $47,500
- Status: Project: Expired
- Grant End Date: July 2009
  - Received extension request letter